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Dear Mr. Webb,

Yesterday came from you a "Spectator", a "Graphic", & a letter for Ade, — a few days before, a letter for me. We see plainly enough that you don't forget us, of which we are very glad, & hope that the various overtacts to uh. that remembrance lead are not too onerous to you. But when it comes to books, & to such handsome ones as the newly-bound vol. you lately sent to Ade, I am almost aghast, — especially as they have to have such a wide area of postage stamps on them to get them here. The "Spectator" as the 4th in do. we have rec'd. (beginning with No. for Oct. 15) — We spent an hour & a half of the evg. over it. It was the No. to wh. you had referr'd in your note, where W. R. G. gives the Editor so sharp a drubbing. Not having read the ed.s & other criticisms referred to, I could not well judge; but I thought that Mr. Gregg was needlessly tart, with a rather large vein of self-consciousness running thro' all; — but it may have been rendered necessary by what went before. The first 3 "Spectators" all were marked to

Richard at "Hamilton, White Pine Co., Nevada", according to your first direction. This, & future ones, will go to him, "care, Geo. Moffatt Esq, 9 Kearney St, San Francisco" - is that right? - I am well pleas.d to know that Mr. Hutton, the editor, is a son of Rev. Joseph Hutton. When I was in London (with my bro. Fred.k) in 1843, Dr. H. was the minister of the Cong.l meeting in Little Carter Lane, just out of St. Paul's Churchyard. I went there to hear him, & heard him with great pleasure - afterwards, introduced myself, (or delivered a letter of introd., I forget which,) in his vestry. He rendered us some kind attentions, and during the week following sent me a note inviting me to preach for him the next Sunday; and I did do it; after which he, & Fred.k, & I walk.d together (it was a bright, charming day, middle or last of July,) to his house, a long way, - over 2 miles I think - up in the region of the "New Road", then so call.d. A handsome, genial old gentleman he was, - wearing breeches & long hose, if I forget not; his house was a very pleasant one, and we sat down to his Sunday dinner with him, simple and good; and I think I never saw him again, tho' I had occasional corresp. with him, & incline to think I have a letter or two of his in my possession now. -

- I sent yr. letter of Oct. 18. to Miller McKim, & ask.d him to tell

me who, & what, the Wm. Jackson of Phila. was, of whom you spake me it. He duly sent it back, with a long, hurried, rambling note, in which he never refers to, & evidently wholly forgot, the question I ask. him, so I can give you none of the information about W. Jackson I wished hoped to be able to do. — Did I tell you of the Misses Chase, of Worcester? Their mother was an Earle, a native of Leicester; John Milton Earle of Ward, Thomas E. of Phila; & Dr. Pliny Earle of Northampton, their uncles. Their father Anthony C., a Friend, & long one County Treasurer, as his Son Charles is now. They are very independent Women - of much Courage & pluck, - less judgment - but with sincere souls, & eager to do a great deal of good. They were for years among the teachers of the freed slaves, and pioneers at that. Sarah was very nearly the (or quite) the first Northern woman to set her foot in Richmond, after it fell into Grant's hands. If you happen to know where they are now, I should be glad if you would let them know that my wife is in London, - (if she have n't left it.) I should have made a paragraph & sent it to the "Woman's Journal", of what you wrote me about the meeting in St. Patrick's Hall, & Lord Kildare's announcement, so warmly received, but that I did not exactly get the point of it. You said he announced "that the University had been opened for competition by women" - is it the "University prizes", for wh. they may compete, or is it that the Univ. Lectures, Classes, & Courses of Study are "opened" to them?

My wife writes me that if she had got your letter, they would gladly have left the Ship at Londonderry, & gone straightway to Dublin. I am sorry we hadn't so planned it, before their leaving. As you may have heard, she had to give up & send for a doctor in London, & was kept to the house nearly a week; - ~~the~~ the result of Sea-sickness,

the continual rolling of the ship, & the execrable food in
wh. they were liberally furnish^d. Last accts. represen
her as much better, – as riding out, – as having been into
City, getting glimpses of St. Paul's, Temple Bar, &c. stopping a
the Strand, & going to hear Rev. James Martineau preach
Dean Stanley in Westminster abbey, "stopping a moment by t
Grave of Charles Dickens." They were discussing the qu
of going to the Continent.

Did you mean to address the letter for Mr. S
enclosed to me in yrs. of 19th Nov^r, to 315, Sansomskey
San Francisco? So it was addressed, & so it went,
yr. subsequent letter you speak of him (is it not the sa
as at Pittsburgh. I didn't know of his being at S.
but I supposed you did of course; and I entered the
address on my memo: book, as that to which Richa
Spectators were thenceforth to go. Your correction arrive
time to prevent any being so sent.

The way to make our Sign for S Mary (which you
thus §) is, first to make, nearly, a figure 8, & then run
parallel lines thro' it, up & down the figure, thus §. Pray
me, – as you are doing, or endeavoring, so much to help
education," may we not try to offset the service a little
in so trifling a matter!

The "Graphic" (for Nov. 19.) is a beautiful No., and
will be right well pleased to see it, & so will our neig
& so will the Garrisons, who shall duly have it. You m
the benefits, as Franklin said, "go round". What a ple
it will be to the young Scholars! Ade. says, she thinks t
County is Portage, not Summit. However, you say "Summ
& so I shall say to Frank Garrison. – On looking again a
letter, I see that you say "Kent, Portage County" in one place, and "K
Kent, Summit Co., Ohio", in another; – & so I am puzzled; but having yo
both sides, & Ade. quite sure of Portage, I now go for Portage!

The "Nation" of last week opens on abol. Josephine Butler
& comes to the defence of Sir H. Storks. I am vastly of a mind to
the "Nation" a piece of my mind about their treatment of the Wo

No more, at this present, from Yr. truly & affec. S. Maria.

P. S. (Dec. 6th.) ?

To-day's Boston Daily Advertiser says it has received, and in type, an eloquent appeal from Mrs. [Miss] Weston of Weymouth, in support of a document from the Prefect of Nantes, in France, in behalf of the suffering peasantry of Alsace, &c. This will gratify you, & I trust will have a good response here. — Have you seen Carlyle's letter (or what not) in support of Bismarck, & the German policy? I should hate, if I were a German, to have such support.

ms. B.1.6 v.11, p.6